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SUBJ: TRAVEL TO BLOC

1. A LARGE NUMBER OF AMEMBASSY ANKARA PERSONNEL HAVE TRAVELED AND INTEND TO TRAVEL TO USSR AND OTHER BLOC COUNTRIES. THE LAND ROUTE FROM TURKEY TO WESTERN EUROPE REQUIRES TRANSITTING OF BULGARIA AND/OR YUGOSLAVIA. A FEW EMPLOYEES ARE PLANNING TO CRUISE MEDITERRANEAN ABORAD USSR REGISTERED VESSELS.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING REPORTED PROBLEM AREAS IN VISITS TO BLOC, PARTICULARLY USSR, BULGARIA AND YUGOSLAVIA, I.E., SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES AT BORDER CROSSING POINTS, HEAVY INCIDENCE OF ATTEMPTS TO INVOLVE THE TRAVELLER IN BLACKMARKET CURRENCY DEALINGS OR SALES, SPECIFIC TOURIST HOTELS TO AVOID, CAMPING AREAS TO AVOID, VEHICLE ROUTES TO AVOID, ETC., ETC. AND ANY REPORTED PROBLEM AREAS INVOLVED WITH USE OF USSR OR OTHER BLOC-REGISTERED PASSENGER SHIPS. INFORMATION WILL BE USED TO AUGMENT RSO'S CA-2274 BRIEFING.
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